## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

## **COALITION FOR LITERACY**

in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California

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The name of the corporation is:

## COALITION FOR LITERACY

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- A. This corporation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for public purpose
- B. The corporation is organized and shall be operated as a non-profit corporation within the meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. In furtherance of this objective, the corporation shall have the following specific purposes:
- (1) The corporation shall promote philanthropic social welfare, combat community deterioration, defend human and civil rights secured by law, and promote the common good and general welfare of the people by educating the public about the ongoing problem of illiteracy and the social and economic costs that illiteracy brings to the community; and to foster programs that strengthen the literacy programs in our schools and communities. The corporation may advocate the attainment of its objectives by promoting the adoption or rejection of legislation, regulations, and judicial decisions; and by direct communication with, and urging the public to contact, public officials concerning policy issues relating to the goals of the corporation, but such communications shall be limited by the regulations established for organizations operating under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code. In carrying out its social welfare purposes, the corporation may advocate social or civic changes and present opinion on controversial issues with the intention of molding public opinion and creating public sentiment to an acceptance of its views.
- (2) The corporation shall have and exercise all rights and powers conferred on nonprofit corporations under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, including the power to contract, rent, buy, or sell personal or real property; *provided*, however, that the corporation shall not engage, other than as

an insubstantial part of its activities, in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the primary purposes of the corporation.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing, no part of the net earnings or assets of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any director, officer, member of the corporation, or other private individual; and, except to an insubstantial degree, the corporation shall not engage in a regular business of a kind ordinarily carried on for profit.

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The name and address in the State of California of this corporation's initial agent for service of process is:

James V. Lacy, Esq. 30011 Ivy Glenn Dr., Ste, 223 Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

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- A. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for philanthropic social welfare purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- C. The corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including publishing or distributing statements) in connection with any candidate for public office.
- D. The corporation shall not engage in any activity that would cause it to become an "ineligible organization" as defined by the Domestic Mail Manual of the United States Postal Service.

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The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to philanthropic social welfare purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer, or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of the corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation which is engaged in activities substantially similar to those of this corporation, and which has established its tax exempt status

under either of Sections 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code; or to the federal, state, or local government for exclusive public purposes.

VI.

The Corporation shall have no members.

VII.

The total number of directors and the manner by which directors shall be elected shall be provided in the Bylaws of the corporation.